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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

This is in response to the Office Action of September 10, 2001, the time for a response to which has been extended to and through March 11, 2002. March 10, 2002 was a Sunday, a day the Patent and Trademark Office is not open for business. This response is timely filed on Monday, March 11, 2002 the next succeeding business day.

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

In the specification:

Delete the paragraph at page 10, lines 5-24, and insert the following:

According to a first embodiment of the invention, the SAT is overexpressed in the cytoplasm of the plant cells. The SAT is either a plan cytoplasmic SAT, in particular the

